

Board of Assessors, January 14, 2022

Present: Michael Colaneri, Richard Cohen, Maria McFarland,

Also present: D Barnes, Meghan Montesion, Kathy Logue, and Jen Rand

The meeting convened at 1 P.M.

1. The Board approved the minutes of December 21, 2021.
Michael COLANERI-yes; Richard Cohen-yes; Maria McFarland-yes
2. Old/New Business

The Board approved the 2021 annual town report.

Michael Colaneri-yes; Richard Cohen-yes; Maria McFarland-yes

The Board approved a warrant article for fiscal year 2023 in the amount of \$24,000 for value services.

Michael Colaneri-yes; Richard Cohen-yes; Maria McFarland-yes

The Board discussed a member acting as the Board clerk, being who will be responsible for posting meetings, minutes etc. in the interim of hiring a new principal assessor. Maria McFarland will act as clerk.

Michael Colaneri-yes; Richard Cohen-yes; Maria McFarland-yes

Maria reported that the newspaper ad for the vacancy of principal assessor has been put in the MV Times, Gazette, posted on the town web site, in the lobby of Town Hall, the MAAO website and the MMPA website. The deadline to apply is noon on January 31, 2022.

The principal assessor reviewed the remaining ATB liabilities with the Board. Three cases, fiscal years 2019, 2020, and 2021 for Terrance Currier, map 17 lot 113, were heard on Tuesday, January 11, 2022. There remains one outstanding fiscal year 2021 ATB appeal for Sylvia Hargrave scheduled to be heard in March 2022. The Board will need to review the expiring ATB agreement for MVCHC, Misty Meadow Farms, for fiscal year 2023. The principal assessor will send an email to the Board with recommendations on filing and review from counsel.

The Board has been requested by the Finance Committee for a meeting to discuss the fiscal year 2023 budget request.

The principal assessor reviewed the fiscal year 2021 audit request for data from Robert E Brown II CPA. Kathy Logue was requested to send a commitment report to the auditors for real estate and personal property taxes for both fiscal year 2021 and 2022.

The Board was informed to touch base with Bruce Stone, town accountant, in regards to payment of data collection services from Ed Pierce going forward.

The Board voted to accept the consulting services from D Barnes for the fiscal year 2022 real estate and personal property appeals. Ms. Barnes will retain the lap top to accomplish this work. Upon completion it will be returned to the office.

Michael Colaneri-yes; Richard Cohen-yes; Maria McFarland-yes

The principal assessor will send the Board an email listing all vendors/consultants currently serving the community for assessment purposes, including phone numbers, emails and addresses.

The Board was advised that Steve McCarthy, Department of Revenue BLA representative has been given all base line reports as requested by email. The principal assessor's emails should be monitored for additional requests for data.

The Board and Kathy Logue thanked Ms. Barnes for her service. Ms. Barnes thanked the members for their continued professional support throughout her employment. Ms. Barnes thanked the Treasurer/Collector and accountant for all the hard work throughout the years. Ms. Barnes ~~vocalized~~ said that with their support the BOA and principal assessor have been able to create a solid product for the community for a conservative cost to business.

Meeting adjourned at 1:50PM.

Respectfully submitted,
D Barnes, Principal Assessor, MAA
APPROVED
FEBRUARY 2, 2022